

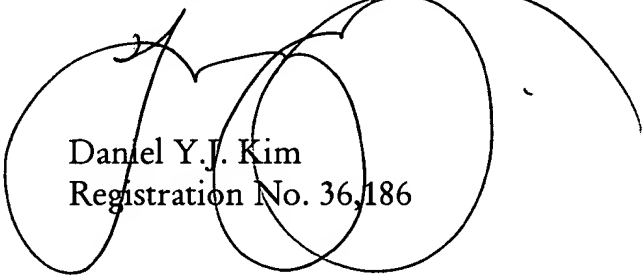
**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 2 and 4-12 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claim 1, 4 and 6 are amended, new claims 7-12 are added, and claim 3 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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